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# Office Action Summary

Application No.

09/769,478

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Eric S. McCall

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## Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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## Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 16 December 2003.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

## Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

## Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 26 January 2001 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

## Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- \* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

## Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)   | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)<br>Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)                                   | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)             |
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## **CHRISTMAS BULB STRUCTURE**

### **FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Applicant's amendment dated Dec. 16, 2003.

### **ABSTRACT**

In view of the Applicant's amendments, the objection to the abstract as set forth in the previous office action has been overcome.

### **SPECIFICATION**

In view of the Applicant's amendments, the objection to the specification as set forth in the previous office action has been overcome.

**CLAIMS**

**Objections**

In view of the Applicant's amendments, the objection to claim 1 as set forth in the previous office action has been overcome.

**35 U.S.C. § 112**

***(First Paragraph)***

Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claim contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention.

Specifically, the Applicant failed to set forth in the originally filed disclosure that "the pair of conducting wires within the bulb shunt the filament and maintain a current flow through the pair of conducting wires when the filament fails" as now set forth in claim 1. The Examiner points out that the Applicant's originally filed disclosure is silent with respect to shunting the filament, as now claimed, and especially "maintaining current flow through the pair of conducting wires when the filament fails", as now claimed with respect to the Applicant's

invention. For the only mention of maintaining an electrical connection when the filament burns out is with respect to the prior art as known by the Applicant and not that of the Applicant's invention. Thus, the written description does not set forth that the Applicant had possession of the said subject matter at the time of filing and thus is entitled to such claim protection.

*(Second Paragraph)*

In view of the Applicant's amendments, the rejection of claim 2 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as set forth in the previous office action is moot.

35 U.S.C. § 102

In view of the Applicant's amendments, the rejection of claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Helbig et al. (5,453,655) as set forth in the previous office action has been withdrawn.

35 U.S.C. § 103

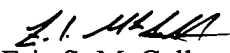
In view of the Applicant's amendments, the rejection of claim 2 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Helbig et al. (5,453,655) as set forth in the previous office action is moot.

**CONCLUSION**

Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Eric S. McCall at telephone number (571) 272-2183.

  
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